

RICK SCOTT GOVERNOR

CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, we recognize the essential role that technology has in the daily lives of the residents of Florida and in the future of our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, today many people, schools, libraries, businesses, and other organizations use the Internet for a variety of tasks, including keeping in contact with family and friends, managing personal finances, performing research, enhancing education, and conducting business; and

WHEREAS, cyber security is a critical part of our nation and state's financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, education, and emergency response systems; and

WHEREAS, we face an increasing threat of malicious cyber-attack, loss of privacy, and significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and

WHEREAS, many national, state, and private sector organizations recognize National Cyber Security Awareness Month in an effort to help create a safe and secure cyber space; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Information Sharing and Analysis Center Cyber Intelligence Group within the Florida Fusion Center analyzes data and shares cyber intelligence with state agencies and other government organizations; and

WHEREAS, all Floridians are encouraged to visit <u>www.SecureFlorida.org</u> to learn about cyber security and put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses; and

WHEREAS, Cyber Security Awareness Month recognizes that individuals, organizations, businesses, and governments share the responsibility to secure their part of cyber space and the networks they use;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing October 2012 as Cyber Security Awareness Month.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee the Capital, this 12th day of October, in the year two thousand twelve.

Governor